

USACE FINANCE CENTER
BIWEEKLY REPORT
PERIOD ENDING 23 JULY 1999

CEFMS:

CEFMS ISSUES:

a. Planning and preparation for the two training (orientation) sessions on the current CEFMS capability for the operating budget and manpower are on track. We plan to present the first session during the period 26-29 July with the second session to follow during the period 9-12 August. Both sessions will be presented at the UFC in Millington.

b. We completed the requirement for modification to the appropriate military S&A reports (SA95) that will allow the Omaha District to track their placement on the Rapid Response contracts for two S&A rates. This action supports the approved NWD request for deviation to provide construction management services using a lower rate for large projects that exceed a certain threshold.

c. Other CEFMS Issues and Actions.

(1) We are continuing to support the Standard Procurement System (SPS) test at Vicksburg District. We have experienced a minimum number of problems with the CEFMS/SPS interface. We understand there are some remaining challenges related to the SPS functionality.

(2) We implemented the initial stages of the on-line training for the CEFMS Problem Reporting System in GUI. This is the methodology we intend to use for user training when we make the conversion to GUI, which is currently scheduled for April 2000.

(3) Completed development of the technical method for transferring Government Orders/Customer Orders (MIPR's) between USACE locations. Completion of this action was critical to us completing the programming, testing, and implementation on the current schedule.

(4) We completed development and processing on a CEFMS query to capture BRAC obligation/disbursement data for fiscal year 93 through the current date. This data was provided to CERM-B for coordination with military programs.

PROBLEM REPORTS/IMBALANCES:

a. The open problem report inventory is 929 versus 923 on the last report. The inventory includes 110 Priority #1 problem reports. The open inventory also includes 5 problem reports related to the CEFMS Modernization/GUI work management effort.

b. Forty-one (41) of the sixty-three databases have no imbalances, eleven (11) have one, four (4) have two, four (4) have three, one (1) has four, and the remaining two sites (2) have seven each. The grand total of database imbalances across the complete system is forty-nine (49) down from fifty-two (52) on the last report.

ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS:

CONSOLIDATION OF OPERATING FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING FUNCTIONS:

UPCOMING CONSOLIDATIONS:

a. The next and the last site(s) HECSA (servicing the NCR locations) in the current schedule will be consolidated on 1 August 1999.

NUMBER AND LOCATION OF ON BOARD PERSONNEL:

<u>LOCATION:</u>	<u>NUMBER:</u>
Huntsville	28
Millington	275
Washington	2
Other	1
DA Interns (Millington)	3
Total	309

DISBURSING WORKLOAD DATA:

PAYMENTS	As of 06/30/99	Current Month	Year to Date
BY CHECK:			
Checks Issued	220,707	26,189	246,896
Percent of Total	73%	61%	71%
Dollar Amount	\$3,364,025,019	\$301,009,551	\$3,665,034,570
BY EFT:			
Transfers Made	82,857	16,457	99,314
Percent of Total	27%	39%	29%
Dollar Amount	\$2,146,443,482	\$319,582,216	\$2,466,025,698

OTHER UFC ISSUES:

a. The Army Audit Agency (AAA) will be at the UFC on the 10th of August for entrance briefing on Military CFO statements. Mr. Bob Rak, AAA, Program Director for the General Fund will be the lead.

From conversations with John Byrne, CEO, AAA will also brief in the USACE Headquarters but Mike Ham, AAA; Civil CFO will present the entrance briefing instead of Mr. Rak.

Mr. Rak has requested a command briefing from the Director of the USACE Finance Center and a tour of the facilities. The audit group is expected to be at the UFC for a two-four month period to review disbursing and collection procedures. The scope of the review is Funds Balance with Treasury and Statement of Budgetary Resources.

b. The DFAS-IN systems proponent for the Integrated Automated Travel System (IATS) has requested that we work with them on a System Acceptance Test (SAT) for the new version of IATS (5.2). We agreed to host the session at the UFC from August 23rd to September 3rd. We believe they made this request due to the wide range/variety of the travel performed by USACE.